COVID19 PLAY IT SAFE GUIDELINES

In addition to following the guidelines issued by the State of Ohio for safe operations, SandBox Volleyball will implement these guidelines for the Summer 2020 season:

(1) Symptomatic individuals, and individuals with symptomatic household members, are NOT permitted to enter the SandBox facility. It is critical that all SandBox staff, members, and their guests follow this guidelines to the utmost degree. In the event you or a member of your household experiences symptoms that COULD BE associated with COVID19, it is required that no member of the household enter the SandBox facility for AT LEAST 72 HOURS after the cessation of ALL SYMPTOMS.

In the event that a player, OR ANY MEMBER OF A PLAYER’S HOUSEHOLD, does test positive for COVID19, the player and/or player’s parents are REQUIRED to notify the SandBox of such event via email to sandboxvb@gmail.com, and the player shall not return to SandBox for training or competition for a minimum of fourteen (14) days, and only after a verified negative COVID19 test.

(2) Hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed at each court: ALL participants will be REQUIRED to use these every seven points during ALL COMPETITIONS (youth or adult) and reasonably frequently during training sessions.

(2) Game balls will be switched out each match, and replaced with a newly sanitized ball. No outside balls will be permitted to be brought into or used in the facility for competition.

(3) Guests will be limited. Each program/competition will have its own limits:
   (a) Monday Night Adult Doubles League: 2 guests PER TEAM;
   (b) Tuesday-Thursday Youth and Juniors 4v4 Leagues: no more than TEN total people (players plus guests) permitted PER TEAM.
   (c) Friday Night Adult 6s League: NO GUESTS PERMITTED.
   (d) Adult Tournaments: 2 guests PER TEAM.
   (e) Junior Doubles Tournaments: 4 guests PER TEAM.
   (f) Junior Doubles Training: NO GUESTS PERMITTED.
   (g) No small children will be permitted at SandBox Volleyball Club as guests.
   (h) Individuals or teams who are found to violate these guidelines will IMMEDIATELY, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, AND WITHOUT REFUND BE REMOVED FROM FURTHER PLAY AT SANDBOX FOR THE ENTIRE SUMMER 2020 SEASON.
(4) IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL NON-PARTICIPANTS WEAR FACIAL COVERING AT ALL TIMES.

(5) Refs may only use electronic whistles.

(6) No seating will be provided at the facility; all participants and spectators must bring their own seating, and remove it when they leave.

(7) All non-participants must observe mandatory social distancing (6 foot+ separation) at all times. All participants shall observe social distancing to the extent possible and STRICTLY follow a no physical contact rule (i.e., no high fives, no hugs, no shaking hands after matches).

(8) SandBox staff will sanitize all common surfaces (bar top, table tops) every ninety minutes or less.

(9) The cabana will be unavailable for rent during the Summer 2020 season.

(10) The maximum tournament pool size will be reduced from 6 teams to 5 teams; the maximum tournament size will be reduced from 24 teams to 20 teams.

(11) Changes will be made to the organizational structure for training sessions, with players segregated into groups of ten or less players, with each group isolated from each other, practicing together on the same court, for all training sessions all summer long.

(12) There will be an overall reduction in some league sizes, additional spacing out of times for matches, and permitting arrival only just before matches, requiring departure shortly after matches. Matches will be required to start ON TIME and end ON TIME. No exceptions.

Despite all of the guidelines herein, and any other precautions taken, it is impossible to eliminate the risk of exposure to or transmission of the COVID19 virus in the time of this pandemic. SandBox Volleyball urges each participant to balance his or her own individual risk against the benefits of playing, and we also urge all participants to practice intelligent precautionary behavior when they are away from the SandBox, as well. It is the duty of each of us to practice common-sense to avoid the unnecessary risk of exposure to the rest of the SandBox Family. Thank you.

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